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'05 hockey tickets don't meet demand

Season tickets cut, single game prices rise

By Eric Walsh & Aaron Price
Statesman Staff Reporters

After spending the night waiting in line, 35 UMD hockey fans were turned down for season tickets due to a cap enforced by UMD Athletics. Students without season tickets will also now have to pay the full price of admission per game — \$16 instead of \$6 — for single tickets to see Bulldog hockey.

"Six hundred total season ticket packages were sold to students," said Trisha Winberg, UMD Athletics administrative aide. "No individual single-game tickets will be sold this year. All students who do not own [season] tickets already will have to buy them at full price."

The tickets have been capped off at 600 because

when a season ticket is sold, the University pays the difference between the discounted ticket amount and the full price that the DECC charges.

"It's unfortunate that the department has to resort to this," UMD Athletic Director Bob Nielson said.

The 600 tickets became available to students Tuesday at 7:45 a.m. and were sold out within four hours of their release. Seventy students were put on a waitlist, including the 35 who spent the night in line. Current season ticket holders have the option to sell theirs back, giving students on the waiting list the opportunity to buy them.

The night before tickets went on sale, students filled the hallways of the Romano Gym lobby, Weber Music Hall and the Humanities building

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AARON PRICE/STATESMAN

Students filled the Romano Gymnasium lobby Tuesday, Sept. 20, the morning hockey tickets went on sale. Many of them camped overnight in hopes of getting student season tickets. Thirty-five of nearly 600 students were turned down for season tickets.



PETER KLECKNER/STATESMAN

Chancellor Kathryn Martn unveils a plaque honoring James Swenson in the new Swenson Science Building at the grand opening ceremony last Friday. To her left are Swenson and his wife Susan. Swenson donated \$7.5 million for the building's construction.

SWENSON OPENS DOORS

One-fifth of UMD students use new building weekly

By Mary VanMassenhove
Statesman Staff Reporter

After major setbacks last fall, the James I. Swenson Science Building opened its doors to students this semester. Over 2,500 students entered the building for classes or labs in the first week of school.

James Swenson, who graduated from UMD in 1959, donated \$7.5 million for the building construction and \$2.5 million for scholarships. This was the single largest

donation to UMD in its history, according to the Grand Opening and Dedication commemorative program.

"What a wonderful gift you've given to the city of Duluth," said Mayor Herb Bergson to the Swensons, at the Grand Opening and Dedication Ceremony held Friday, Sept. 16.

"This is the greatest facility for biology and chemistry in the region, if not the nation," said Chancellor Kathryn Martin.

The building offers state-

of-the-art technology and equipment.

"The new laboratories are three times as big as the old labs, with better equipment and more workspace for the students," said Tim Craig, associate Biology professor. "[The building] is very well-designed — big windows and a nice space to work."

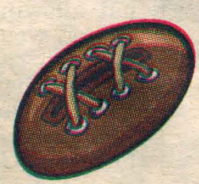
Students also found the new building's classrooms more comfortable than those in Life Science.

"The other labs were so

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Freshman Phenom
New quarterback proves strong in non-conference play. Can he keep it up in the NCC?
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U.S. Marshals warn UMD students of fugitive in area

By Kieren Sell
Statesman Staff Reporter

U.S. Marshals warn students that a federal fugitive, known for entering athletic facilities and stealing from locker rooms might be on the UMD campus.

Wanted posters were hung in the basement of the Sports and Health Center Tuesday after Marshals alerted UMD Police that wanted fugitive Shawn Wesley Walter Wolfe has been seen in the Duluth area since Sept. 12.

"There are no indications that Wolfe has been at UMD,"

said Sgt. Tim LeGarde, the UMD Police officer dealing with the issue. "But we wanted to put the word out."

According to LeGarde, UMD Police believes Wolfe to be a registered sex offender, but the information has not been confirmed by U.S. Marshals.

Wolfe is wanted by federal agents for other issues, which LeGarde could not detail.

The U.S. Marshal office in Duluth was contacted about the issue, but declined to comment due to all federal Marshals being out of town.

Posters have only been hung in the basement of SpHC because of Wolfe's history of

crimes. LeGarde said that UMD Police will not hang any other posters around campus and will spread the word verbally.

"It's pretty effective," said LeGarde.

Only a small number of thefts have taken place in SpHC this fall, consisting mostly of wallets and cash, said LeGarde. There is no sign that Wolfe has been involved.

If you see Wolfe around campus, call 911 immediately for UMD Police response.

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NEWS NOW

State

DWI OFFENDER REQUESTS TO OPEN BUS SERVICE

Associated Press

ROCHESTER, Minn. — The City Council voted down an attempt by a man with two pending DWI charges to start a bus service for bar-hoppers.

The 3-2 vote came Monday on a motion to grant Bryce Bjork, 30, of Rochester, a city transportation franchise.

Bjork, who will hire professional drivers, said, "If there's someone who knows the detrimental effects of driving after you've had a couple of drinks, it's me."

PARENTS SUE OVER TEEN DAUGHTER'S ABORTION

Associated Press

A Ramsey County judge heard allegations Wednesday that Planned Parenthood in St. Paul illegally performed an abortion for a young woman three months before her 18th birthday.

The teen's parents are seeking more than \$50,000 in damages. They claim state law requires parental notification when minors get abortions.

Nation

POLICE SAY TEEN SHOTS PARENTS AND GRANDMOTHER

Associated Press

ELKHORN CITY, KY — A 17-year-old who was sent home from school for being intoxicated shot his parents and grandmother to death, then died in a crash after police attempted to pull him over, authorities said. Another driver also was killed.

The teen was identified Wednesday as Matthew Hackney.

Hackney was cited for public intoxication at the school Tuesday and released to the custody of his parents, State Police Lt. Bobby Johnson said.

The bodies of Ivan Hackney, 47, Shirley Hackney, 44, and Wilma Hackney, 63, were found at the teen's home, Johnson said.

Johnson said state troopers spotted Hackney on a highway and attempted to stop him, but Hackney lost control and crashed head-on into a pickup truck, killing Terry A. Taylor, 41.

Hackney had never been in trouble at the school before.

World

AMERICAN DEATH TOLL IN IRAQ CONTINUES TO CLIMB

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The war in Iraq passed a sobering milestone Tuesday when U.S. officials reported 12 more Americans were killed. Eight of them were members of the armed forces, raising to more than 1,900 the number of U.S. service members who have died in the country since the invasion.

POPE SUED

Associated Press

ROME — The U.S. Justice Department told a Texas court that a lawsuit accusing Pope Benedict XVI of conspiring to cover up the sexual molestation of three boys by a seminarian should be dismissed because the pontiff enjoys immunity as head of the Holy See.

Assistant U.S. Attorney General Peter Keisler said that allowing the lawsuit to proceed would be "incompatible with the United States' foreign policy interests."

There was no immediate ruling from Judge Lee Rosenthal of the U.S. District Court for the southern district of Texas in Houston.

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Enrollment hits all-time high

Majority of growth was planned, officials say

By Keith Grauman
Statesman Staff Reporter

It's hot and smelly, you're in the middle of a crowd. Forget elbow room — people are vying for enough space to plant a foot. Are Bulldog hockey season tickets going on sale, or is it just noon in front of the Kirby Bookstore?

Official numbers will not be released until Friday, however unofficial numbers indicate enrollment is up to 10,500 students, which is about 130 more students than last year. However, Beth Esselstrom of Admissions said part of that increase was planned.

"Our projected enrollment numbers were based on knowing we would have 50 to 52 more students in the pharmacy school," Esselstrom said. "The new Masters of Advocacy in Political Leadership program in the College of Liberal Arts also accounts for part of that increase."

Transfer students also make up part of the planned

growth. About 430 transfer students are enrolled this semester, up about 40 students from last year.

Vice Chancellor of Academic Administration Vince Magnuson said that UMD has had a goal of admitting 2,100 freshmen every year. That number comes from a planning decision set forth six years ago by the then University of Minnesota President, Mark Yudof to get UMD's enrollment up to 10,000 students.

"I am confident we will meet or slightly exceed our

goal of admitting 2,100 freshmen," said Esselstrom.

The 2005-2006 freshman class is still smaller than last year's class. Esselstrom said that this fact contrasts to the prevailing public opinion.

"I think that there's an impression from a lot of factions of the campus, including faculty, staff and students, that

we indiscriminately have been admitting students with no attention to our capability to meet their needs in terms of our resources here, and that just is not the case," Esselstrom said. "We've had a goal every year and some years it's more chal-

lenging than others to work toward that goal and know that you're going to stay within the acceptable range."

Coming up with the official

enrollment numbers can be a difficult process. When figuring out where certain students should be counted, they have to be evaluated on a case-by-case basis at times, said Paula Knudson, the director of the First Year Experience office. With students being able to register for classes on-line, the enrollment numbers are constantly changing.

Some students are registered at two campuses and ensuring they don't get counted twice is a difficult task, said Esselstrom.

"We have to figure out where they actually intended to enroll, and if it's just a matter of effectively, or correctly, discontinuing their registration at one campus or another," said Esselstrom.

Esselstrom also has to deal with clarifying the distinction between freshman students and upperclassmen and those enrolled in Continuing Education versus those seeking a degree.

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CITY COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

Voting took place last week in Duluth's primary City Council elections in two districts.

Greg Gilbert came out on top in District two, while Garry Krause beat out incumbent Neil Atkins in the race for District four.

Only two candidates per District can be on the ballot in November's general election and these primaries were held to narrow the race down to those two candidates.

Voters in November will also decide on two new members at large.

Number of votes per candidate:

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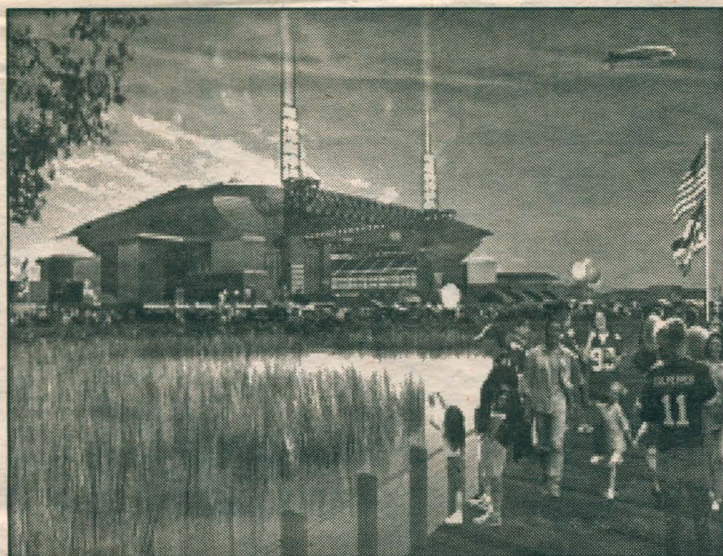
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AP PHOTO

This artist rendering shows the proposed Minnesota Vikings stadium complex in Blaine, Minn. The Vikings laid out a financing plan Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005, that would require taxpayers to kick in nearly \$400 million toward a \$675 million, retractable-roof stadium.

Wilf commits \$280 million to new stadium

Vikings stadium hopes are facing third down and long

Associated Press

It cost \$125 million to bring the Vikings, Twins and Golden Gophers under one roof in 1982. It looks like moving them all out of the Metrodome will take 12 times as much.

Vikings owner Zygi Wilf put the third and most costly stadium plan on the table Tuesday, joining baseball's Twins and the University of Minnesota's football squad in outlining a combined \$1.5 billion in proposed stadium construction.

And taxes — either new or redirected — would foot much of the overall bill. That is giving some state leaders, like House Speaker Steve Sviggum, some pause.

"As I step back it looks like it's too much at one time and more than the taxpayers of Minnesota should be expected to support," Sviggum, R-Kenyon, said. "It becomes so heavy that I'm not sure the Legislature, the governor or any group of politicians can

take it on. It dies under its own weight."

The Vikings' financing plan would require taxpayers to kick in nearly \$400 million toward a \$675 million, retractable-roof stadium with about 68,000 seats in Blaine, a growing suburb north of Minneapolis.

If state lawmakers accept the plan, people who shop in Anoka County would pay an additional 75 cents for every \$100 they spend on taxable goods.

Wilf has pledged \$280 million, although some could be drawn from an NFL stadium fund.

If everything goes the Vikings' way, the new stadium would open in 2009 or 2010, in time for the team's 50th anniversary.

The Vikings-Anoka County proposal is good through Dec. 31. The Legislature isn't due to meet again until March, putting more pressure on Gov. Tim Pawlenty to call a special session.





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Deadline for Spring Semester programs is October 15. Financial aid, scholarships, and loans can be used. Visit 138 Kirby Plaza or www.d.umn.edu/ieo for more information.

Undergrad degree applications now available online

By Keith Grauman
Statesman Staff Reporter

Graduating from UMD just became a little easier. Students can now submit their application for an undergraduate degree online.

The Web site, found at www.d.umn.edu/registrar/eDegree, allows students to set up and confirm their graduation date and other specifics relating to their diploma.

"I think it's a pretty simple application," said Jackie Carlson of the Registrar's Office.

"The new system is geared more toward students who are nearing graduation," said Carlson. Students need to have completed at least 90 credits to log in.

Using the Web site, students will be able to choose the exact name that will appear on their diploma and confirm the address it will be mailed to after graduation.

There is one required form, the Commencement Atten-

dance Questionnaire, which is still available only on paper. There is a link to a printable version of the form on the Web site, or students can pick up a copy at the Student Assistance Center which is temporarily located in 184 Darland.

"We're trying to do as much online as we can," said Carlson. "Students still have to declare their major and minor in their college office. But this then allows students to go in and verify that their information for graduation is correct."

The deadline for spring or summer graduation is Jan. 30, 2006.

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N. KOREA DEMANDS U.S. NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea—North Korea insisted Tuesday it won't dismantle its nuclear weapons program until the U.S. gives it civilian nuclear reactors, casting doubt on a disarmament agreement reached a day earlier during international talks.

North Korea on Wednesday accused the United States of intending to disarm the communist country and then "crush it to death with nuclear weapons."

Washington reiterated its rejection of the demand and joined China in urging North Korea to stick to the agreement announced Monday, in which it pledged to abandon all its nuclear programs in exchange for economic aid and security assurances.

North Korea's new demands underlined its unpredictable nature and deflated some optimism from the Beijing agreement, the first since negotiations began in August 2003 among the two

Koreas, the United States, China, Japan and Russia.

"The U.S. should not even dream of the issue of (North Korea's) dismantlement of its nuclear deterrent before providing (light-water reactors), a physical guarantee for confidence-building," the North's Foreign Ministry said in a statement carried by the official Korean Central News Agency.

The Bush administration on Tuesday dismissed North Korea's demand for civilian nuclear reactors and appeared confident about a final agreement to end that nation's nuclear weapons program.

The announcement that North Korea would dismantle existing weapons and stop building new ones contained no deadlines and few details. The six parties in the talks agreed to meet again in November, when the difficult questions of verification and timetables would be up for discussion.

The North had demanded since the latest round of

talks began last week that it be given a light-water reactor — a type less easily diverted for weapons use — in exchange for dismantling U.S. officials opposed the idea, maintaining North Korea could not be trusted with any nuclear program.

South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun said that the prospects for resolving the nuclear issue are brighter after Monday's agreement.

President Bush's administration has opposed anything resembling a 1994 U.S.-North Korea agreement, which promised the North two light-water reactors for power. That project stalled amid the current crisis, which broke out in late 2002 after U.S. officials said the North admitted having a secret nuclear program.

The North said there would be "very serious and complicated" consequences if Washington demands the dismantlement of the communist nation's nuclear programs before providing a light-water reactor.

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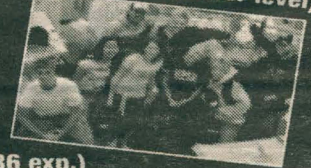


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Our View

A Constant 'Crash'

One lesson reiterated by Hurricane Katrina is how prevalent the racial divide remains in America. Although it might be tough to notice in homogenous Duluth, everyone carries racial ignorance and prejudices.

"Crash," a terrific movie starring Don Cheadle and Sandra Bullock, focuses on the role of race in society.

The movie shows instances of personal stress that generate rash reactions. Whether it's condescendingly critiquing someone's English when they mispronounce a word or nicknaming them Osama bin Laden if they're of Middle Eastern descent.

Everyone thinks in stereotypes, but it's just a matter of if they act on them. Some of them are conscious, others unconscious.

In one scene, after Bullock and husband, played by Brendan Frasier, are car jacked, a Latino man is shown changing the locks to Bullock's home. Bullock demands to Frasier that the locks be changed again in the morning, because the Latino man is a "gang banger, with his shaved head, pants around his ass and prison tattoos" and intends to pass out copies of the key to his friends.

It turns out that he's a loving father, but Bullock judges him on only his appearance.

As the movie progresses — and we don't want to give away too much — it turns out that Bullock acts so judgemental, in part, because it's a front for her other insecurities.

This revelation shows that prejudice is a two-way street. An upper-class white woman, sometimes thought of as having it all, can be as emotionally distraught as others considered less fortunate.

Later in "Crash," a case of a police abuse is thrown out because the police chief doesn't want to get involved.

This shows that regardless of whether you are privileged or poor, we are all selfish people.

Humans look out for their best interests in every situation and it's easy to be understanding in tranquil moments. But when stress or anger come into play we judge and degrade others to lift ourselves up.

We want to lead righteous lives, but selfish desires don't allow it. Those selfish desires judge others based on personal experiences or, in our college setting, stereotypes.

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"If we are going to teach creation science as an alternative to evolution, then we should also teach the stork theory as an alternative to biological reproduction."

- Judith Hayes

By Jacob Ogbozo
Statesman Staff Writer

If I were to ask the average American 5th grader, "Where did people come from?" I'm almost certain that the majority would say, "We used to be monkeys" or something to that effect. Charles Darwin changed the face of science when he announced that the human race had evolved from an earlier species. A scientist and theology major, Charles Darwin claimed to have proof that humans were not directly created by some higher power.

Today, evolution theory is taught in most public schools across the country and has become the standard in understanding our origins, with creation theory trailing at a distant second. Challenging the very laws of nature and science, creationists have remained steadfast in their position that God created us in His image and likeness. Under pressure from the scientific community, religious leaders across the world (including the late Pope John Paul II) have agreed that creationism should not be taken seriously as a scientific theory. Without any credible scientific evidence and a lot of credible opposition, teaching creationism in schools is almost unheard of.

However, a new take on an old idea might soon change that.

The Religious Right has disguised



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Intelligent Design:

IS IT REALLY SO INTELLIGENT?

creationism as a credible science, now called "Intelligent Design theory." First I must clarify that supporters of the Intelligent Design theory claim that they are not the same as creationists. I.D. doesn't name God as the creator, but instead describes a powerful designer who has the knowledge and wisdom to create a universe.

Supporters of Intelligent Design theory claim humans are amazing creatures with a design so complex that we must have been created by an intelligent being. While I agree that humans are especially complex creatures, I realize that 98.5 percent of our DNA is identical to that of a chimpanzee. With that comparison, how can one feel so unique?

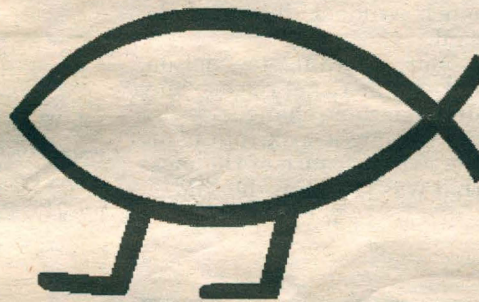
Maybe it's because, just like religion, this supposed science is based on faith. I realize everyone has the right to say and think what they want, but these ultra Christian Contortionists — ahem, I mean Conservatives — are trying to teach this "new science" in our public schools. I went to a private Catholic grade school and we were taught evolution, not because our teachers were forced to include it in our curriculum, but because it is science. There used to be a time when religion was taught us-

ing phrases like "we believe," but now conservatives have the nerve to call these beliefs fact.

Another supportive aspect for Intelligent Design is that it is to be taught along side evolution as an alternative view and shouldn't be considered a threat. Of course it is threatening, as well as insulting, to any member of a faith other than Christianity.

For such a theory to exist there would have to be some coalition of cretins out there, with the goal of impeding social and intellectual progress while basking in the glory of ignorance and religion.

I'm not saying God doesn't exist. In fact I think He or She does exist in some form. However, I know as well as anyone that I wasn't made out of sand and woman wasn't made out of one of man's ribs.



Intelligent Design is a good concept for those who are religious. In a public school setting, however, evolution is a more appropriate way to explain where we came from.

By not teaching Intelligent Design, teachers do not have to answer awkward questions like "Who is God?"

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Got gas?

By Amy Kelley
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Remember the days of 98 cent gasoline? Those days have long since passed us by, and unfortunately, many UMD students weren't even old enough to drive at that point. If you haven't already noticed, gas now has shot to astronomical prices. So what's a broke college gal or guy to do? Trade in the pile of junk you have now and buy a brand new hybrid hippie-mobile or one that runs on diesel?

Europeans are already saving money by switching to diesel. According to msnbc.msn.com, 40 percent of the cars in Europe run on diesel. And although these cars cost a few thousand dollars more, they get about 30 percent better mileages, according to Edmunds.com. The downside is that this fuel typically burns dirtier than gasoline, except in California, where the emission standards are stricter, making diesel vehicles slightly less environmentally friendly.

Then there are the hybrid cars, which run partially on electricity and partially on gas, such as the Toyota Prius. They've been on the market for about five years, offering lower gas bills and a cleaner environment. For the most part, hybrids live up to their expectations. A survey conducted by Edmunds.com showed an average of 33-49 miles per gallon.

So, fellow UMD students, the future of gas-pump prices looks fairly bleak. Few of us have the option of purchasing a hybrid car, so that leaves us college kids with the options of transportation that we were more familiar with back in the days of 98 cent gas: a bicycle or just our legs. Stop bitching and get walking — it will save you some valuable beer money.

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Ethnocentrism: a human condition

By Uzair Mukadam
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We have a tendency as people to judge others, setting boundaries with our own yardstick. As humans we look at our surroundings and whatever we find that is different to us, we tend to categorize and classify. Be it political, religious, cultural or social topics, we each have our set of beliefs and often believe that only our own ways are correct or "right."

When a non-African examines some African cultures, he or she may feel that the practice of polygyny (having more than one wife) is wrong. Then we attach that thought as a stigma to the culture and spread our opinions. Now, if you ask the African, he may think that the concept of moving away from one's parents at 18 is naive and insulting.

One of the biggest reasons for having misconceptions about cultures, religions, etc. is this habitual single-mindedness. I have noticed that we all tend to form an opinion about one another based on our own personal experiences and prejudices. Rarely do we actually make an attempt to see the world from a

different point of view.

I think the best way to find out about a different culture or religion is to actually go and mingle in it and then decide whether your opinion was correct or not. Often I have been told by people how democracy is suffering in my country (Pakistan) because of the president having been elected through a coup. Rarely have people asked me what I feel as a Pakistani about the corrupt idiots who ruled the country before. We prefer an army ruler to a crooked politician.

Still not getting it? Try this: write the numeral six on your hand. View it from one end and have a friend stand at the other end and view it at the same time. What looks like a six to you will be a nine to your friend. You each know that you are both correct, creating a paradox: who is truly correct? So why judge each other and argue? There is no point to it. The day we become more tolerant of others' views, half the problems in the world will come to a swift end.

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TICKETS

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in anticipation.

Leaving barely any room to walk, the eager hockey fans armed with laptops, televisions and video games spent the night hoping to score the coveted season tickets.

Students grabbed tables to set their belongings on and had to have friends hold their places in line to go to the bathroom, because those in the Sports and Health Center were closed.

"It gets pretty hectic," said Dave Huffman, the first fan in line who arrived at 7 a.m. the morning beforehand.

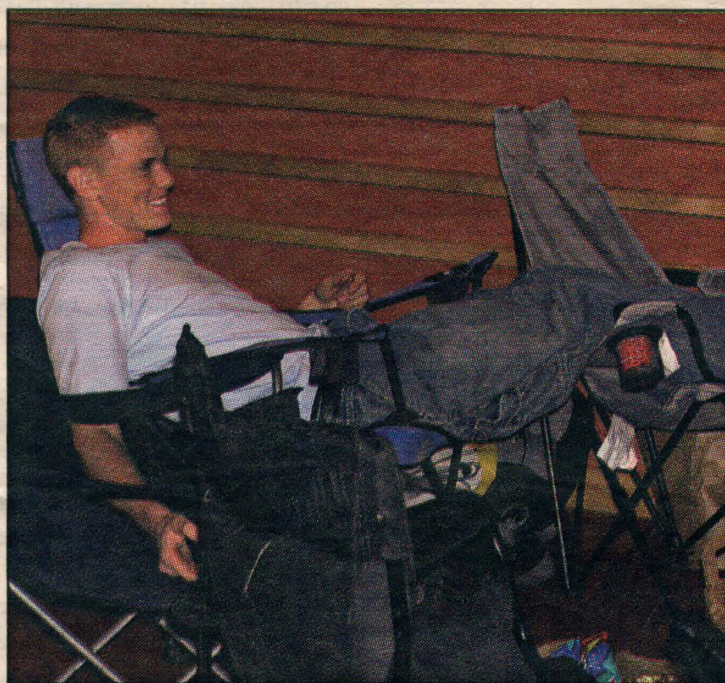
Huffman, also known as "The Beard," was quick to make sure he would be the first to buy his tickets.

"This is by far the biggest turnout," he said. "There's nobody stopping me from being first in line."

Some students went to great lengths to make themselves comfortable during the long wait. Jake Moe and Dan Nerheim hauled in a roommate's 57-inch flat screen television, which they set up in the corner of Weber.

Though student tickets were cut, Nielson was pleased to see the huge turnout.

"It's exciting to see that



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A UMD student lounges in a chair waiting for the hockey ticket sales to be opened. He was watching a 57-inch Sony television brought down for entertainment.

much student interest," he said.

But according to Nielson, next year's ticket release may undergo some changes.

"We might look into using the gym, because of the mess that was left over," he said.

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SWENSON

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warm," said Julia Holmblad, a senior Biology major, after spending a week in the generously air-conditioned Swenson building.

The new labs are also more "user-friendly," according to Jenna Mollison, senior Biology major.

Though vandalism, which resulted in over \$8 million in damage last fall, delayed the building's opening by several months, associate Biology professor Linda Holmstrand said the fallout from the crime might have been much worse if it weren't for the hard work of the construction workers and others involved.

"[It was] a team effort; this whole building — everyone had a part," Holmstrand said.

And, judging by the remarks presented at the Grand Opening, the hard work paid off.

"All of the faculty is excit-

ed and honored to give back to the students and fulfill the Swensons' dream," said Steve Berry, assistant professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry. "The new building has sparked excitement in all departments, not just the sciences."

Mayor Bergson thanked Swenson and his family for their generosity and said he was proud to support his "homeboy," after mentioning

that he and Swenson grew up in the same neighborhood in Superior, Wis.

As Swenson was introduced, the crowd stood and applauded for several minutes.

"For ev-

erything there is a season. In this building, there was season to plan, a season to build, unfortunately there was a season to rebuild and now there is a season to celebrate," Swenson said.

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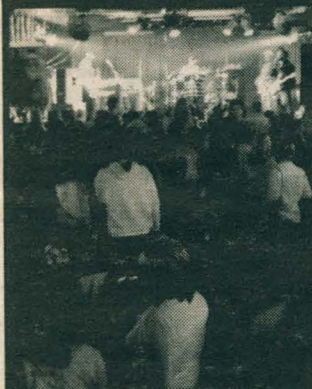
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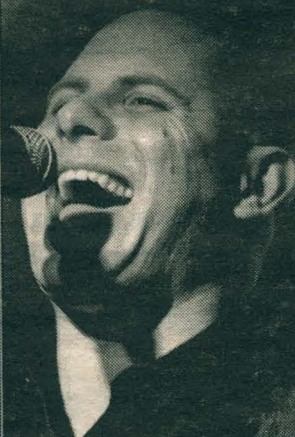
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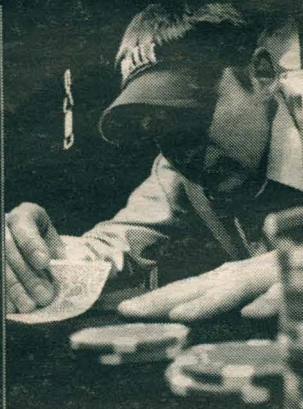
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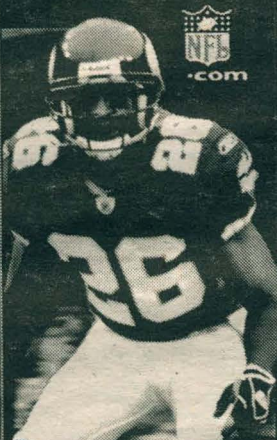
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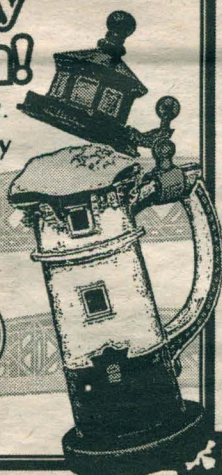
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BAYOU BENEFIT A BIG SUCCESS

Festival helps victims of Hurricane Katrina, features local music and draws outstanding community support

Story by Kieren Sell
Photos by Maddy Otto

Blankets were spread out, frisbees were thrown and music echoed throughout Bayfront Festival Park last Sunday as people came together to raise money for Hurricane Katrina relief. The Beacon to the Bayou concert brought crowds to an outdoor concert experience and an opportunity to help those in desperate need following Hurricane Katrina.

The warm weather provided a perfect setting for people to soak up the sun and the live music. The concert featured the local bands Trampled by Turtles, The Alrights, Little Black Books, Devil's Flying Machine with Charlie Parr, Sterling Waters and Shauuna Heckman.

"I wanted to do more than just give \$100," said Blake Shippee, who organized the event after hearing about the destruction along the Gulf Coast on the radio. "I know a lot of local musicians and businesses, so I was a good medium to bring this together."

More than 1,000 people from all age groups attended the concert, many with their families, friends and even dogs. While the final numbers are not in, Shippee said they are projecting to have raised \$11,000-\$12,000, which will all be going to the American Red Cross relief effort.

"I wish we could have raised more money," said Shippee. "But it was great to see all of the smiles on people's faces."

The bands donated their time to put on the event and food and beer vendors were told they could decide how much of their

profits they wanted to donate. Many, including G's who sold wild rice soup, funnel cakes, hot dogs, donated all of their profits.

The Alrights had a close experience with Hurricane Katrina after being in Florida for a record showcase.

"We saw it hit in Miami," said Chavo, the Alrights' drummer. "We saw the destruction in New Orleans when we flew back. After we heard about this, it was

hands-down. Dallas, who grew up in Two Harbors but moved to New Orleans for the last four years, served as master of ceremonies.

"I left out 18 hours before the storm hit," said Dallas. "I left with three pairs of pants, a few shirts and a toothbrush."

Though Dallas' home in the historic Garden District of New Orleans was not flooded, it did sustain some wind and rain damage.

"There are people out there who need money more than I do," said Weiler. "It's just money. It comes and goes."

The idea of watching good music outside on a beautiful day drew in most people, but many also wanted to do their part to help.

"It's a nice day out and a good cause. Why not come down?" said Rachel King, a UMD student, who has worked with her sorority Phi Sigma Sigma to put together food bags for Katrina victims.

UMD student Brandy Mojica and UWS

student Kate Stark came to listen to some good music and have a good time, but were also there for personal reasons.

"I have a family member from Gulfport, Mississippi," said Stark. "My uncle was trapped down there, until family brought him supplies."

Coming together to show support for those across the country is something that the Northland should be proud of, said many of the volunteers and event organizers.

"Everything that every single one of you does really makes a difference," said Ray. "It's amazing what people have done."

It gives me a lot of pride for Duluth and for New Orleans."

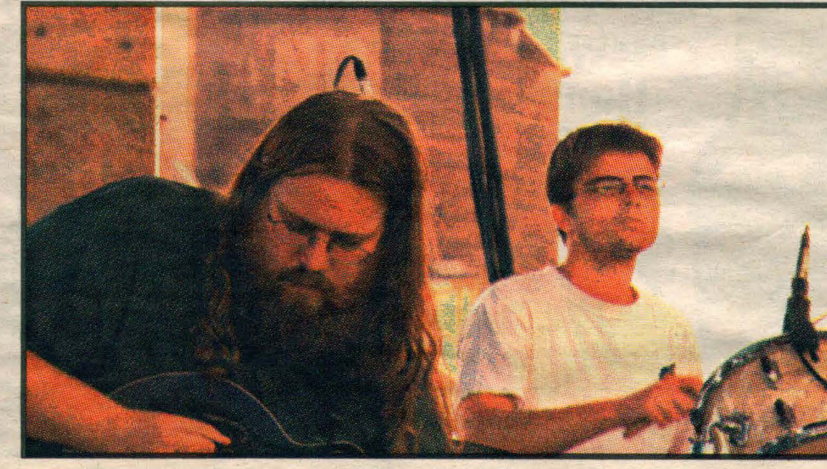
National Audio Visual recorded the event and hopes to put together a DVD, to sell to continue raising money for Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

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Photos, clockwise from upper left:

- The crowd goes crazy as Trampled by Turtles plays.
- People kick up their shoes during The Alrights.
- A young boy helps start the dancing frenzy.
- Erik Berry of Trampled by Turtles picks his mandolin.
- Shaunna Heckman performs for the crowd.
- Dave Simonett of Trampled by Turtles sings one of the crowd's favorites.
- A woman gives massages throughout the day, accepting donations for the cause.
- Blake Shippee, the organizer of the event, watches the stage.



Ericson's works come home

By Ann Perkins
Statesman Staff Reporter

The works of well-known 19th century artist David Ericson, who has ties to Duluth, are now on exhibit at UMD's Tweed Museum.

"David Ericson: Always Returning, The Life and Work of a Duluth Cultural Icon" showcases Ericson's work as a teen living in Duluth, as an academic living in New York City, as an adult living in Providencetown, Mass., and again in Duluth.

"It's a wide range of styles, and it's really kind of instructive to see how an artist developed over time," said Peter Spooner, the Curator/Registrar at the Tweed. "And yet, each thing that he took on, each style that he took on, he really mastered it."

The exhibition chronologically depicts the artist's main periods: his early work, his academic portraiture, his studies with famous instructor James McNeil Whistler and his Impressionist period in the later 1920s and 1930s, according to Spooner.

"He became really proficient at drawing," said Spooner. "But he was also interested in this romantic notion of the nocturnal landscape, so he learned how to paint in that

style, too."

Ericson's family came to Duluth from Sweden in 1872, when he was three years old. At the age of 11, Ericson suffered an infection that resulted in a leg amputation. While recuperating, he was visited by Emilie Sargent Paine, who provided art supplies and lessons in the Ericson home on Minnesota Point.

His friends and family soon realized that he had potential as an artist. Patrons in Duluth donated funds to send him to the Art Student League in New York City.

In 1922, Erickson was commissioned to paint six murals for Hibbing High School and portraits of many prominent Duluthians in the 1910s and 1930s. Ericson died in 1946 after being struck by a car while crossing a street in Duluth.

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Ericson's oil painting "Winter Mists" (1925), in the Tweed.

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Students lurk in lots

By Justin Sorensen
Statesman Staff Reporter

They're everywhere. We feel them staring, prowling the parking lots, creeping down the rows, watching, following. You stalkers out there know who you are.

Unless you live in a hole, you know that parking is the never-ending buzz around UMD. Everyone has either overheard or participated in the bitter complaining.

As a result of this constant headache, parking spot hopefuls have developed a tactic that eerily resembles the habits of a lion stalking a gazelle, as they follow Blue Lot pedestrians across the asphalt. They do this hoping that these walkers will be getting into their cars, emptying a spot.

The stalkers mark their territory by idling close behind a homebound student. Instead of looking for empty parking spots, the seasoned stalker will have his or her eyes peeled for promising pedestrians.

On the other hand, we have the sleepers. They pay no attention to the predat-

tory drivers who claim their place by sticking their bumper to a student's backside. Instead, these sneaky devils prefer the wait-and-pounce method. They will tell you the coveted paint stripes are fair game until actually occupied, no matter how long the train of cars and kids is that is heading for it.

Some may find the stalking a bit creepy, but many others see it as just part of the unwritten parking code.

"People are pretty helpful about it," said Pete Sandelin, pharmacy student and parking lot stalker. "They'll tell you, 'Hey, I'm not parked here,' or, 'I'm just passing through,'" in order to avoid leading the waiting driver on a fruitless stalk.

The only concern expressed by Sandelin is not as relevant for a guy of his stature as it would be for some females that may be uneasy about the lurking drivers, especially at a lonely hour. As a general rule, though, stalking for a stall won't get you maced.

"People follow people," said Katie Sexton, UMD senior. "Everyone is pretty

used to it, and that's just the way it works as an unwritten rule."

Some bold souls will even throw kidnapper caution to the wind, and offer strangers a ride to their cars in trade for their spot.

So do we have no choice but to reduce ourselves to creepy stalkers or backstabbing sleepers?

According to Beverly Ecklund from Parking Services, it is a problem of convenience. UMD has two overflow lots, Q1 and J3, both of which have not filled up this year. Of course the Library and Darland lots can be quite problematic, but if the stalkers and sleepers would spend less time doing their thing, they might snag a spot elsewhere in half the time it takes do laps and play the waiting game.

But what fun is that? Either way, when it comes to parking, whether you're a lamb or a lion, happy or bitter, naughty or nice, it'll work out, as it always has.

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Halloween, Alaska

By John Cranford
Statesman Staff Reporter

For years now, pop music has been both a positive and negative facet of our musical culture. Pop has produced

REVIEW both remarkable and ridiculous artists. The Beatles are one of the most recognized bands to ever exist, but 'N SYNC is one of the most absurd. Because such a low percentage of pop musicians actually write and produce their own music these days, part of pop has lost its dignity.

Luckily a group of musicians based out of Minneapolis have succeeded in bringing intelligence back to the pop scene.

Halloween, Alaska's latest release, "Too Tall to Hide," is the smartest record released in the past month. The opening track, "A New Stain," is filled with discoesque keyboards and over-the-top electric and acoustic drum tracks giving it the fullness an opening must have to bring the listeners into an album. David King, drummer, is a mastermind at such rhythmic intuition.

His other projects include The Bad Plus and Happy Apple, but King has held ground as a percussion master with Halloween, Alaska.

"Too Tall to Hide" provides a great soundtrack to life; its major and minor progressions take the listener on an emotional roller-coaster that induces feelings of happiness and joy, while bringing you back down to earth with such tracks as "Bad News Sticks." The opening lyrics, "So much for empathy / and scraping up your knees / the Midwest is a tease," is a dark but true reality of the way life and stress can bog us down.

Other songs that stand out include the last track, "Glide." It is so mellow and ambient that it would be ideal to fall asleep to. Yet the second track, "Drowned," could bring someone back to life with its up-tempo backbeat and a reversed snare.

Overall, "Too Tall to Hide" is an A+ achievement at building a great pop record in a world where Britney won't write her own lyrics, even after having a baby.

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'Gardener' cultivates thought

By Mike Duberowski
Statesman Staff Reporter

It's really no trick to grab a moviegoer's attention by killing a lead actress in the opening scene, which is exactly what Fernando Meirelles does to Rachel Weisz's character, Tessa, in "The Constant Gardener." Rather, the trick lies in holding the audience's attention for the remaining two hours.

For the most part, "The Constant Gardener" does succeed at doing so, thanks partially to Meirelles' quick-paced direction and a standout performance by Ralph Fiennes.

Fiennes plays Justin Quayle, a British diplomat who quickly falls in love with Tessa, after she questions some important ethical issues during a presentation.

Shortly after Justin and Tessa are married, they move to Africa, where Justin has been relocated to work. While in Africa, Tessa is surprised to find out that a major drug company is providing free drugs to a deprived African village.

"No drug company does something for nothing," Tessa boldly states, which leads her to secretly research the motives behind the drug company's generosity.

Before long, Justin discovers that Tessa was murdered while on a trip to Kenya.

The murder is a mystery to Justin because he knew very little about Tessa's project while she was alive. Nevertheless, he makes it his duty to find out the motives behind his wife's murder, even if it means risking own life.

Meirelles keeps the audience's attention with an intriguing story, based on the best-selling novel by John Le Carre.

Told through flashbacks and dream sequences, "The Constant Gardener" is sometimes confusing — but the payoff is worth it.

"The Constant Gardener" is an important and entertaining film that is certain to please moviegoers with a keen eye for details.

Grade: B

The Best of Ralph Fiennes:

1. Schindler's List (1993)

Fiennes gives a standout performance as Amon Goeth, the unforgiving Nazi soldier in what is arguably the finest film of the past 20 years.

2. The English Patient (1996)

Anthony Minghella's beautiful landscape film moved audiences and won nine Academy Awards, including one for Best Picture.

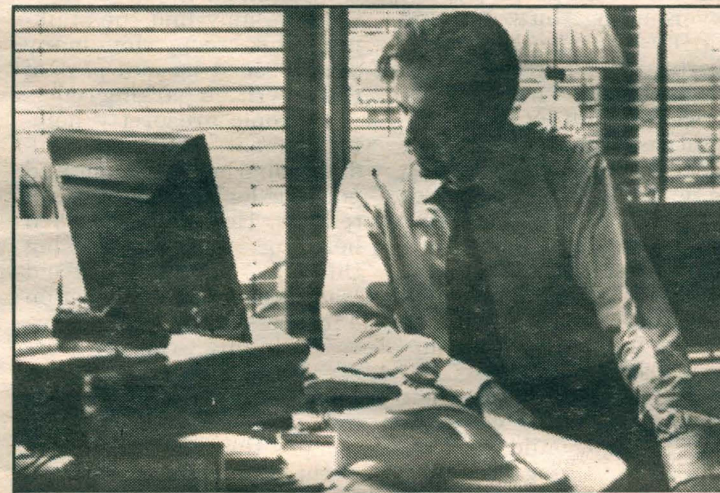
3. Quiz Show (1994)

Fiennes shines as a popular game show winner who is given answers in advance in Robert Redford's entertaining Oscar-nominated drama.

4. THE CONSTANT GARDENER (2005)

'THE CONSTANT GARDENER'

Directed by: Fernando Meirelles
Starring: Ralph Fiennes, Rachel Weisz, Danny Huston
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Outdoors

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"Summer is already better, but the best is autumn. It is mature, reasonable and serious, it glows moderately and not frivolously ... it cools down, clears up, makes you reasonable."

- Valentin, Finnish writer

North Shore offers alternatives to house parties

By Nate Focht
Statesman Staff Writer

"What did you do last weekend?" This is the question that echoes around the halls of every college on Monday mornings. How exciting is your answer?

"Same old."
"Got wasted."

In case you've forgotten, you're at UMD. The numbers of exciting outdoor opportunities available to us at the head of Lake Superior dwarf those offered to our friends at other colleges scattered across our state.

Look up the North Shore.

Near Tettegouche State Park on U.S. Highway 61, you can tie yourself to the end of a rope and climb the towering rock walls of Palisade Head, dangle above water on the cliffs of Shovel Point or look over a valley of golden leaves from the top of Section 13. But you don't need to go far from Duluth — or far from the ground — to find great places to climb. One local hot spot, First Street Boulder, could fit in a dorm room. It's one of over a dozen crags within the city limits. Other, more colorfully-named boulders include The Apartments, Point of Rocks and Himalayan Soup Kitchen. At these spots, you can enjoy the thrills and challenges of rock climbing while only a few feet from the ground.

If scaling cliffs and pawing around on stone slabs isn't your thing, pick up a paddle. The Boundary Waters Canoe Area is only a few hours north from here. Canoeing, camping and fishing define this scattered mess of wilderness lakes.

Or, try a paddle with two blades. Slide a sea kayak across the greatest freshwater puddle on Earth. Kayaking Lake Superior's North Shore offers a new



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Climbing at Shovel Point, north of Two Harbors, offers a breathtaking view of Lake Superior.

perspective of the sheer cliffs, rushing streams and even of Duluth itself. Not everyone gets to paddle past the waterfront on a calm evening and stare up at the shining lights of our city.

Looking for less romance and more rush? Try river kayaking. The St. Louis River is a whitewater playground that is right in our backyard. Its standing waves, steep ledges and playful boogie water make for an addictive whitewater kayak experience. During the spring melt, you can toss a kayak into any of a seemingly infinite number of North Shore streams that cascade their raging and

splashing waters into Lake Superior.

For an up-close-and-personal encounter with the icy waters of Lake Superior, trade your kayak for a surfboard. Swim out and wait with the other blue-lipped shredders for the northeast wind to roll you another wave.

If you're hypothermic or hydrophobic, take your mountain bike to the timber-covered trails of Telemark, Wis. Scream down the Birkie trail or skid through the corners and bumps of the single track. You can open up your brake hand a little closer to home and careen down the face of Spirit Mountain.

If you're having trouble breaking into the world of local adventure seeking, student clubs are a great way to get information and connect with other adventure-cravers. Contact the North Shore Climbers, the Kayak and Canoe Club, Bike Club, the Nordic Ski Club, the Snowboard Club or UMD's Outdoor Program. Don't waste another weekend. Put down the keg cup! Next time someone asks what you did last weekend, make their head spin.

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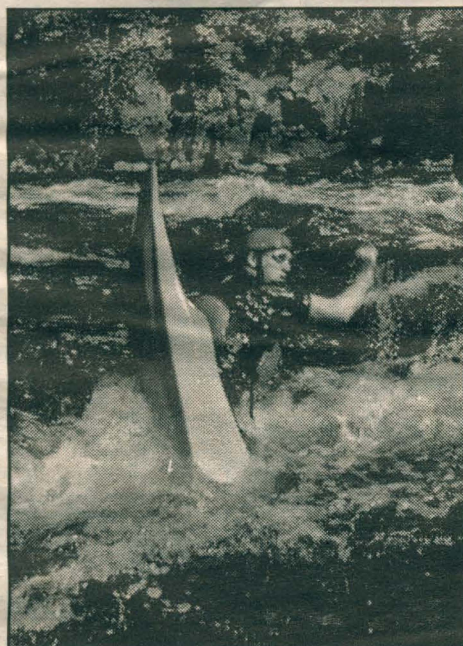


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A kayaker battles some raging rapids.

MN DNR
Fall 2005
dates to
remember
A brief overview
of seasonal events

Compiled By Tom Hazelton
Statesman Staff Writer

SEPTEMBER

09.15.2005 — catch and release only trout season begins on some Southeastern Minnesota streams

09.17.2005 — season begins for small game (rabbits, ruffed grouse), furbearers, and deer (archery)

09.24.2005 — woodcock season begins

OCTOBER

10.01.2005 — waterfowl opener

10.12.2005 — first hunt turkey season (through 10.16.2005)

10.15.2005 — pheasant season begins

10.19.2005 — second hunt turkey season (through 10.23.2005)

NOVEMBER

11.05.2005 — firearm deer season (through 11.20.2005)

11.26.2005 — muzzleloader deer season begins

DECEMBER

12.01.2005 — Lake Superior winter lake trout season begins

For more information on any of these seasons or other Minnesota seasons or regulations, go to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Web site at www.dnr.state.mn.us or check out the DNR's 2005 regulation booklet available at your favorite sporting goods store.

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Wednesday September 28 - Anything Goes But Clothes Party

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Wednesday September 28 thru Wednesday November 16 - Karaoke Contest in Builder's Saloon

Builder's Saloon will hold a karaoke contest every Wednesday now thru November 9th for individuals between the ages of 18 to 25. Each Wednesday three contestants will qualify to move on to the final round on November 16th. Contestants need to be signed up no later than 10:45 PM to have a chance to qualify on each Wednesday night. Official rules may be picked up at Builder's Saloon. Cash prizes will be awarded for final round winners. \$125 for first place, \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place.

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com. Opportunities for college credit are also available.

MPIRG Introductory meeting

The first Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG) meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 5 p.m. in the Garden Room. Mayor Herb Bergson will be the guest speaker at the meeting. Pizza, cookies and drinks will be provided.

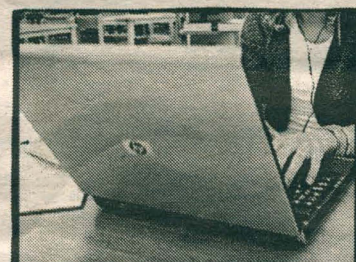
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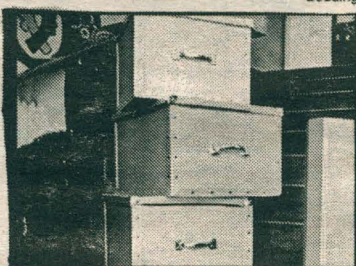
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Top Ten First Date Awkward Silence Fillers

By Justin Sorensen

10. My last girlfriend used to say that — Wow, do I love her.
9. So, how do you like your classes?
8. Conoco?! I go there, too!
7. So: reading, walks, playing piano, partying, board games, hanging with friends, fashion, politics, swim team, boating, sunsets, working out, movies — what else are you interested in?
6. How many months along did you say you were? Oh...your sister.
5. How 'bout that wind today, huh? Man, was it gusty out there!
4. So, how are your classes?
3. Sorry I was late tonight; wart removal just takes forever.
2. You look just like my mom. Do you bake?
1. Hey, barkeep! Whiskey, stat!

DEER HUNTING: FAR EASIER THAN HUNTING ICE-T

By Tim Anderson
Statesman Staff Writer

I believe Bart Simpson said it best when asked what he knew about hunting and replied, "Something about a bunch of guys alone in the woods..." followed by an opinion I shan't repeat here.

Deer hunting season starts soon and with it comes red-necks, Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer and an incredibly unfair advantage for the hunter. With deadly accurate rifles, speedy four-wheelers, sneaky camouflage and scents, Bambi doesn't have a chance. With all the technology available, even the fat kid with

asthma can usually bag a doe or two.

Now don't infer that I'm some kind of PETA weirdo who fornicates with animals. That couldn't be further from the truth. I hate cats and I go out of my way to run over squirrels if they cross my path. I'm not a vegetarian and I think the Dodo bird got what he had coming to him. I believe those Chinese pandas are pampered way too much. Do you see an imbalance here?

All I'm saying is that there needs to be some sort of balance in deer hunting. Even up the sides a little bit, or just forget it all together. Besides, some old windbag once said that man is the most dangerous game. That point was proven best when Ice-T, being sent into the woods to be hunted by wealthy maniacs, beat the odds and kicked Gary Busey-and-company's ass in "Surviving the Game." Not that I'm advo-

cating the hunting of rappers, although I wouldn't have a problem fitting Everlast with a pair of antlers.

Let's face it — the need to actually hunt for food in America disappeared a long time ago. The excuses people give for hunting these days are weaker than the Minnesota State Moorhead football team, and did they ever suck. Here are some examples:

1. *It's a great way to bond with your kids.* What-ever happened to the good old days when a kid would play poorly in his baseball game and dad would degrade him during the car ride home? Eventually this would lead to tears and the child asking why mommy lives in Texas now, followed by dad making his son dance for his drunken friends. That's the way bonding ought to be.

2. *The overpopulation of deer requires hunts for the good of the species.* This is my favorite one. Helping a species by blowing its brains out. Brilliant.

For all you hunters out there, remember one thing: the shoe could be on the other foot. One day you may be looking for some hot sex, only to be shot, gutted from the groin up and placed on a wall for adoration.

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An Outhouse Prayer

Here I sit and try to think,
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I try to write some words of wit,
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By Amy Forsell's dad

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The Garden welcomes back students with free pizza buffet!

In an unprecedented outpouring of student appreciation, Manager Molly Johnson of Grandma's Sports Garden has dedicated Thursday, September 22, "Welcome Back College Students Day". To celebrate this momentous occasion, she's pulling out all the stops and putting out a free pizza/bonotta buffet to all students over 21 years of age from 9-10pm. Thin crust Italian pizza is a student favorite at the Sports Garden and the "rolled pizza" Bonotta is a Grandma's Sports Garden signature recipe item.

"The students have made Grandma's Sports Garden their official off-campus headquarters since we opened in 1989!" exclaimed Johnson. "I just wanted to show them our appreciation and do something special for their return. If it works out this Thursday, maybe we'll do it EVERY Thursday!"

Grandma's Sports Garden has always been a main hang-out for college students. Not only does it provide a great



A free pizza buffet awaits students this Thursday at Grandma's Sports Garden. September 22 from 9-10pm. All-you-can-eat, so come down and join the fun!

place to grab a delicious pizza or sandwich, but it is also filled with fun things to do. On top of the numerous pool tables in addition to the arcade games there are price-sensitive nightly beverage features. Also, the Sports Garden has always been the #1 choice for dancing. "I hope to see everyone coming down this Thursday! I plan on rolling out the V.I.P. treatment. This could be the start of something big every Thursday!" added Johnson.



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CALENDAR OF NAKED LIBRARIANS

WAUPACA, Wisc. (AP) — Librarians aren't usually considered sex objects, but that might be changing.

Six area library administrators have produced a sexy 2006 calendar they are selling to raise money for their libraries. It's called "Desperate Librarians."

The idea came about when Craig Lahm retired after 32 years of running Kaukauna's library, and his colleagues in the Outagamie Waupaca Library System wanted to come up with a different kind of gift.

Five middle-aged library directors and a 32-year-old assistant each put up \$200 and posed provocatively, using oversize books to cover what their clothes usually do. Each posed for two photos.

The women appear to be naked in many of the photos, but all were at least partly clothed during the shoot, said Ellen Connor, Manawa's library director.

"It's probably going to be a collector's item," Lahm said of the calendar. "I'm going to be eBaying it in 20 years."

MAN STEALS 250-POUND BEAVER

XENIA, Ohio (AP) — A man convicted of stealing a 250-pound beaver statue has been ordered to start doing exactly the opposite: guard 25 similar beaver statues for the next few weeks.

Common Pleas Judge Stephen Wolaver also sentenced Michael Ledford, 18, to five years' probation Monday and ordered him to pay part of the cost a city committee paid to put tracking devices on the beaver statues.

Ledford, who earlier this month pleaded no contest to a theft charge, will guard the statues on weekends until they are auctioned Oct. 15. He will be given a chair while on duty, but police will monitor him, officials said.

At least nine of the toothy fiberglass beaver statues have been vandalized, stolen at some point or moved since being installed in July on the streets of Beavercreek, a city of 40,000 just east of Dayton.

Proceeds from the auction, part of that community's 25th anniversary celebration, will be used for improvements at a senior citizens' center, a community theater and a teen center.

Ledford declined comment Monday.

IMPREGNATING AN ELEPHANT PROVES TOUGH FOR ZOOKEEPERS

SEATTLE (AP) — Woodland Park Zoo officials hope that this time, the stork comes for the elephant.

An ultrasound taken Sunday morning revealed that Woodland Park Zoo's 26-year-old Asian elephant, Chai, is ovulating, prompting scientists to try once again to inseminate her artificially.

Fresh bull elephant semen was rushed to Seattle from the Oregon Zoo in Portland and the Tulsa Zoo in Oklahoma on Sunday, and the tricky business was performed that evening. More semen was expected to be received Monday, and zoo officials scheduled a second attempt for Tuesday afternoon — if Chai is still ovulating.

Elephants have a 10-foot-long reproductive tract that makes artificial insemination difficult and they ovulate just three times a year. Scientists last tried to inseminate Chai in March.

Chai has one calf, Hansa, who was born five years ago after Chai mated with a bull at a zoo in Missouri. Hansa was the first elephant born at the 100-year-old Woodland Park Zoo, which has no male elephants.

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VOLLEYBALL: WIN STREAK TO 10

*The Bulldog Rundown*

By **Parick Brannan**
Statesman Staff Reporter

The UMD women's volleyball team extended their winning streak to 10 games with two wins this past week.

On Friday, Sept. 16 the Bulldogs defeated South Dakota 3-0 at Romano Gymnasium.

Sophomore Vicky Braegemann led the Bulldogs with 14 kills. Junior Rachel Langseth was the other UMD

player who recorded double-digit kills, with 10.

On Tuesday, they swept Bemidji State 3-0 at Ramano.

The Bulldogs (11-2, 2-0) will play at Augustana College on Friday.

Soccer: Playing strong

The UMD women's soccer team began NCC play with a 5-2 loss on Friday, Sept. 16 against Minnesota State-Mankato. UMD lead 2-1 in

the first half, but the Mavericks scored four goals in the second.

Junior Abbey Bollig led the Bulldogs with two goals.

On Sunday, the team beat St. Cloud State 3-2.

The Bulldogs (6-2, 1-1) are now unbeaten in their last 10 meetings with the Huskies, dating back to October, 1995.

The Bulldogs hit the road next week against Augustana and Nebraska-Omaha.

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"I can help the coaches more this year, and be their ally," said Stromme.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Sue Fiero, who's been with the Bulldogs for nine years, and Stromme's assistant for the past three, said her transition to head coach has been smooth.

"My knowledge of basketball stems from Karen, so there won't be any huge changes," said Fiero, who will take over a team that went 20-9 overall last year and made their first Division II Tournament appearance. "We really won't know what to expect until practice begins."

According to Fiero, the team will be different than last year's, which lost in the first round of the NCC tournament.

"I do plan on implementing some of my own style this year," added Fiero. "One thing I feel is very important is that we will be having key players like Lindsey Dietz take on leadership roles this season. I expect the leaders like Lindsey to take the ball, set up plays and drive with it more, giving us the confidence we need."

Fiero also hopes to instill a spirit of competition early in the season.

"We're starting Olympic-style competitions during practice to help us prepare mentally," said Fiero. "This will also be important to see who will step up and take charge."

This may be exactly what the Bulldogs need to get back into championship form.

"We want to stay atop the NCC and see more students at the games," Fiero said. "We hope to get a rivalry started this season."

BASEBALL

Men's baseball's new head coach, Bob Rients, replaces Scott Hanna who stepped down last May after 27 years at the helm.

"I feel honored to be here this season and want to add to the success from last year," said Rients. "We just need to keep doing what we are doing and continue working hard this off season."

The team just finished tryouts, and will soon start five weeks of fall practice in preparation for the spring season.

"It will be a fun spring, with 15 returning seniors," said Rients, who has been with the program for about six years. "But how good we are depends on our discipline

and how much effort we bring to practice."

SOFTBALL

Jen Banford, new head coach for the Bulldogs softball team, is from Mayville State University, where she was head coach for one season.

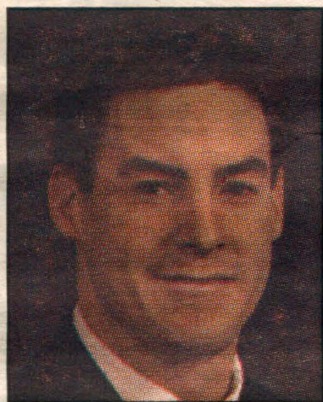
Banford will be replacing Bill Haller, who, after 24 years with the Bulldogs, holds the school record for the most career wins.

"We're all making adjustments right now," said Banford, who is the youngest member of the UMD head coaching staff at age 24. "Right now, I am evaluating the team and I am very excited and ready for the challenge of keeping UMD a force in NCAA softball."

With only three home games this season, it will be a challenge to get fans interested, but Banford feels a big part of her job is also thinking of ways to get fans more involved.

FOOTBALL

The Bulldogs football team will also have a new face on the sidelines this year. New offensive coordinator Dan Ragsdale, from Stanford University, has a very positive



Football: Dan Ragsdale

approach to building team confidence this season.

"Football is a mental game. It's about developing players," said Ragsdale. "Big offense will be the key for this year as we work to develop as a team."

Ragsdale brings a new pass-oriented system to the team. He hopes the new style will help draw more students to the stands, and help the team win some big games this season.

"I'm extremely confident in this year's coaching staff," said Stromme. "They are all worthy of their positions and should make Bulldog athletics a lot of fun to watch."

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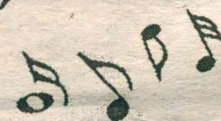
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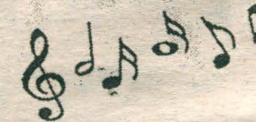
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SCHLAFKE

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with two touchdowns."

"Schlafke's role is the most important role in our offense," said Aker. "It's Schlafke's offense to run, not anyone else's. He makes all the decisions at the line of scrimmage, and gets the ball to the playmakers around him."

The Bulldogs' new offensive coordinator, Dan Ragsdale, has been working closely with the young quarterback.

"Schlafke has been a joy to coach," said Ragsdale. "He is a very hard worker and he does the right things."

Schlafke said that Ragsdale is a great addition to the team's coaching staff and has helped him a lot.

"Ragsdale has brought forth many fresh ideas for us and he has helped to improve my level of confidence and team attitude," Schlafke said. "He is a great teacher, and his confidence has really helped us as a team."

However, Ragsdale doesn't want to take all the credit.

"I can sit here and make up plays, but that doesn't make a good football player," he said. "Football is a mental game. The game is about developing players."

Schlafke and his teammates are confident in the new system that the team has been using this year and don't foresee much change.

"Throwing the ball and making big plays is what we are doing this year," said sophomore wide receiver Ross Schumacher. "Schlafke is doing a good job getting the ball up there and into our hands — he lets us do the rest."

"I just go out there and play," said Schlafke. "I just remain focused and try not to let anything get to me."

The other players pick up on Schlafke's confidence.

"Everyone believes in Schlafke and trusts he's going to do what is good for our offense," said Schumacher. "So far he's proven to us all that he can lead this team and win some games."

The Bulldogs finished sixth in their first season in the NCC and were picked to finish sixth again this season, according to the NCC Coaches' Pre-season poll.

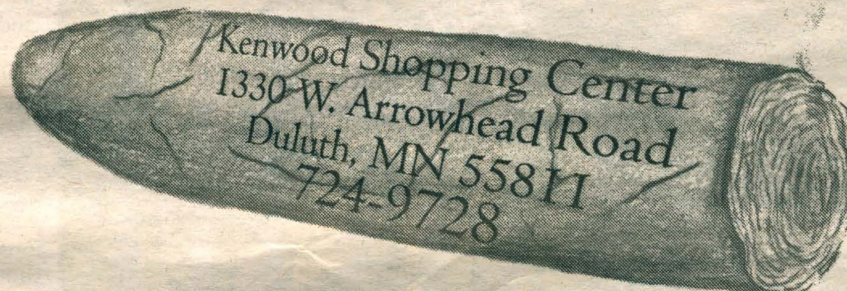
With Schlafke on board, the Bulldogs are confident that they can finish higher than sixth.

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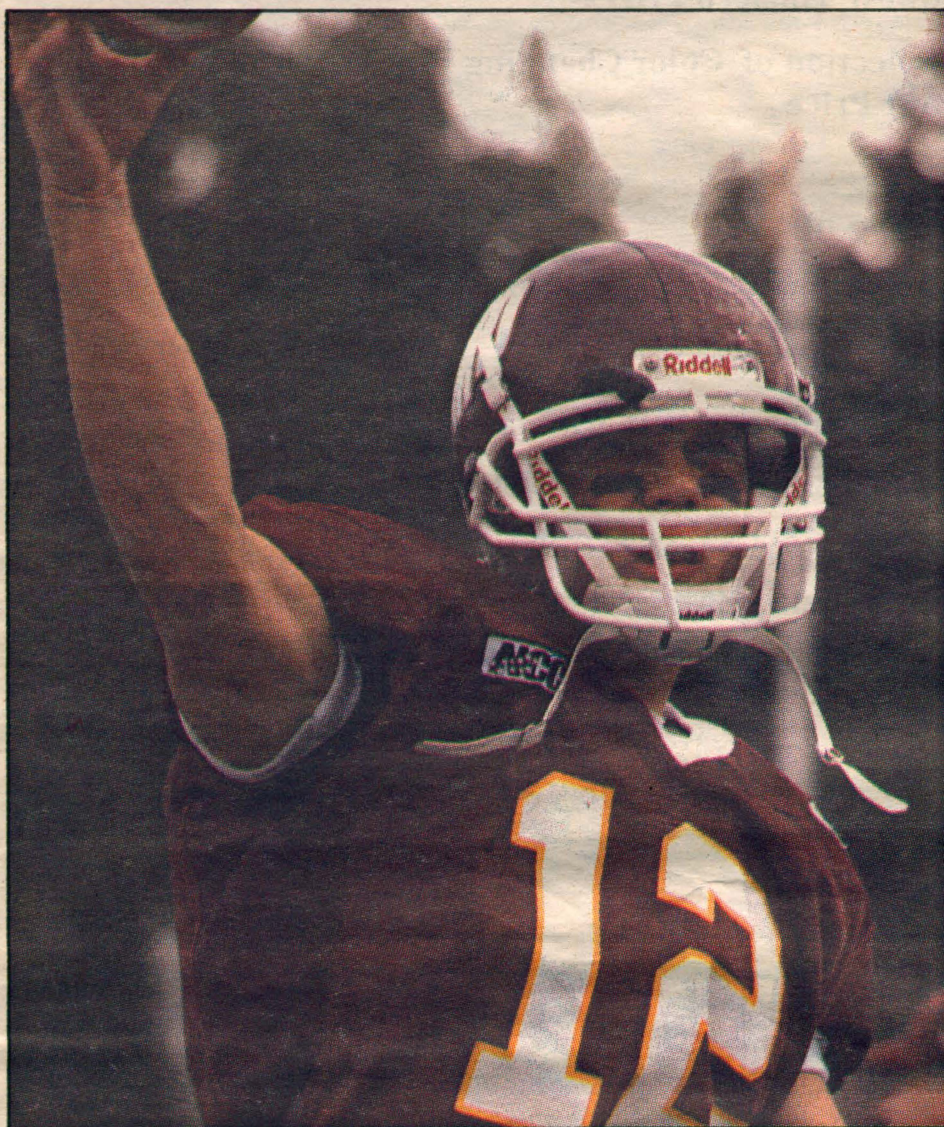
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JULIE RAUSCHER/STATESMAN

Freshman quarterback Ted Schlafke throws a pass during halftime in Saturday's win against MSU Moorhead at Griggs Field. The Bulldogs beat the Dragons 55-7. Schlafke has thrown for 934 yards with 10 touchdowns and two interceptions.

Freshman leads Bulldog attack

By Rebecca Coleman
Statesman Staff Reporter

Switching from the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference to the North Central Conference is a step up for the Bulldogs. It's a more competitive league, with 36 scholarships and year-round training. It's not easy to succeed in the NCC with a redshirt freshman quarterback.

But the Bulldogs aren't worried.

Freshman quarterback Ted Schlafke has already led the team to a 3-1 non-conference start and has twice been awarded NCC Offensive Player of the Week.

"[Schlafke] does a great job of moving the ball around," said junior wide receiver Greg Aker. "He stays in the pocket and is able to move us down the field effectively."

Schlafke's play has sparked the offense to an average 32 points per game this season.

Originally from Stevens Point, Wisc., he has completed 67 percent of his passes for 934 yards. He has

scored 10 touchdowns (nine passing, one rushing) with only two interceptions.

"The new (passing) system has proven to work well thus far in the season," said Schlafke. "The team's statistics have improved from last season and the team is looking to continue this improvement throughout the remainder of the year."

Schlafke's early success has earned the respect of head coach Kyle Schweigert.

"We are putting a lot of responsibility on Schlafke to read the defense and make the right decision for the next play," said Schweigert. "He is continuing to learn each week and show it out on the field."

After the Bulldogs' only loss to the University of Northern Iowa on Sept. 10, Schweigert called the game a great learning experience for the team and Schlafke.

"About halfway through the UNI game, the team gained confidence and thought that they could go out there and compete," said Ragsdale. "We calmed down a little and Ted was able to get back on his game."

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• SCHLAFKE — QB, 28
OF 34/347 YARDS, 4 TD

• GREG AKER — WR, 6
CATCHES/113 YARDS,
TD

• CODY AHMANN — DL,
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NEW COACHES FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWO DECADES

By Cindi Seppmann
Statesman Staff Reporter

Three UMD teams will have new coaching staff patrolling the sidelines this year.

Sue Fiero will coach women's basketball, Bob Rients will take over baseball and Jen Banford is in charge of softball.

This type of change isn't something UMD Athletics is familiar with, as each coach's predecessor leaves with an average tenure of 24 years.

"The new coaches almost

thrive in uncharted territory because they have learned through experience that diligence, hard work and a positive attitude will usually insure success," said Karen Stromme, the assistant athletic director. "Many of the new coaches were promoted from assistant positions."

Stromme stepped down last May after 21 years as the women's head basketball coach to assume her new role, which she believes will allow her to move her career forward.



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